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## NEWS

# WE NEED TO TALK

...ITS NOT ABOUT **US** ITS ABOUT **YOU**



Dear Resident

A lot has changed for Waltham Forest since you told us about your priorities two years ago. We are proud of the changes we have delivered in our parks, town centres and leisure facilities around the borough.

I am determined that over the next four years the borough will continue to improve for all residents and once

again want your views on how we spend our budget and the services that matter most to you and your family.

Our aim is to help residents have a good quality of life in the borough. I know that many of you continue to experience challenging financial times and it is our job to provide reliable services when you need them and to contribute to the social and cultural life of the borough.

Since 2010, the Council has saved £68million from our budget. We have tried to do this by focussing on your priorities and making sensible changes to the way we do things. This period of austerity is set to continue. Between 2015 and 2018, the Council will need to save at least an additional £45million whilst making sure we continue to provide the services that are important to you.

This means that we will have to make some difficult decisions about the services we deliver. To help us, we want you to tell us which services matter most to you and how you would balance the budget.

We have created a tool on the internet so that you can have a go at setting the Council's budget. You'll be able to see the services the Council currently spends its money on, including those that must be provided by law, and tell us which services you think should be prioritised or reduced to help us save £45million.

You will also be able to give us your views on our draft priorities which we have developed from consultation and research with residents.

We really want to hear what you have to say. You can fill in the online consultation or join us for a chat over a cup of tea at one of our street stalls.

We will be talking to residents over the next four weeks after which the results will be used to help us determine how the budget should be spent and finalise our priorities for 2015 - 2018.

Your views will help us allocate the Council's budget on the services that matter most to you. From this, a draft report will be presented to the Council's Cabinet in December to put forward how the budget could be allocated. Once we know how much money we will be getting from central Government we will finalise the budget where it will be approved at Full Council in March.

In January we will inform you of the results of the consultation and the services you told us we should prioritise for the next four years. We will regularly update residents on the progress we are making in delivering each priority.

Go to [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk) by Sunday 16 November. This is about you, so you do the talking and we'll do the listening.

**Chris Robbins**  
Leader of Waltham Forest Council

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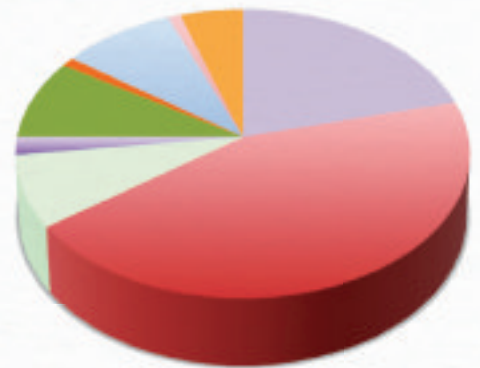
# WHERE DOES THE COUNCIL'S MONEY COME FROM?

With the cost of living continuing to rise we know that our residents are feeling the pinch. While hardworking families have been hit by the recession the Council has also been facing financial challenges. Rising prices across the board and a reduction in the funding we receive from government means that we've had to tighten our belts and do things differently.

Council Tax	19%
Revenue Support Grant	19%
Other Government Grants	2%
National Non-Domestic Rates	16%
Dedicated Schools and Pupil Premium Grant	44%



Adult Social Care	21%
Schools Budget	44%
Environment Services	8%
Culture and leisure	2%
Children and Families	9%
Regeneration Services	1%
Other Education	9%
Housing Services	1%
Other	5%



These pie charts show where each pound comes from and where it is spent.

## These are just some of the things your council tax pays for:

- Cleaning 480km of streets at least once per week
- Weekly waste collections
- Free bulky waste collection
- Supporting 84 schools, educating 40,030 children and young people and investing over £30million in improvements to school buildings and facilities
- The Freedom Pass which costs £9million
- Supporting 1,640 people with care packages at home
- Providing nursing/residential care for 625 people
- Providing supported living accommodation for 273 people
- Looking after 300 children in care
- Resurfacing and maintenance of roads and pavements
- Improving over 200 shop fronts attracting more business
- Maintaining over 60 parks across the borough and offering free outdoor fitness sessions at five of our parks
- Running six leisure centres, all of which are included in our £24.5million major refurbishment programme for better leisure facilities
- Providing events as part of our 'Get Together' programme, that over 80,000 residents have enjoyed so far this year
- Running two museums, including the award winning William Morris Gallery

**We have saved £68million since 2010 and need to save an additional £45million by 2018. Rather than pass the burden on to our residents, we've tried to change the way we work and make smarter use of the resources available to us.**

While we've had to make some tough decisions and sadly seen job losses across the board, we've done our best to make savings in ways that won't directly affect you or your family. This has allowed us to maintain weekly bin collections, educate over 40,000 children and continue to provide quality services to our 258,000 residents.

## FACT FILE

### We've also made practical, lasting savings by:

- Cutting Councillors' allowance by five per cent and freezing since 2010 saving £372,000
- Changing the terms and conditions our staff receive, saving more than £2million
- Reducing the amount of jobs that don't deliver services direct to residents
- Relocating staff, saving the taxpayer almost £850,000
- Closing costly one-stop-shops and providing those services in libraries and other Council buildings
- Redesigning our library service whilst increasing the number of people who use them
- Working in partnership with other councils to share services



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# Protecting our young people

**PRIORITIES**  
**SPECIAL**  
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## Waltham Forest is leading the fight against child sexual exploitation

**A pioneering campaign aimed at tackling child sexual exploitation (CSE) has been launched in Waltham Forest.**

Working in partnership with the Metropolitan Police Service (Met) and Waltham Forest Safeguarding Children Board (WFSCB), Waltham Forest Council has become the first London borough to embark on a major CSE campaign which will raise awareness about the issue with residents and local businesses.

It aims to put the issue of CSE at the forefront of people's minds so they feel empowered to raise the alarm if they see anything untoward. CSE 'champions' – people whose work brings them into contact with children and families – are being trained in how to spot the warning signs of CSE and local businesses are being offered training and information packs to

raise awareness.

Earlier this month, senior police officers from the Met, health professionals, Council representatives and local businesses gathered at Leyton Orient Football Club to sign a pledge of commitment to the zero tolerance of CSE.

Speaking after the event, Detective Superintendent Terry Sharpe, Exploitation and Child Abuse Investigation Command said: "The London CSE Operating Protocol was launched in February 2014. Waltham Forest Council fully embraced this and has led the way in providing a clear direction for all agencies, demonstrating that effective collaborative working will help to identify and safeguard children and young people who are at risk of CSE."

Local research indicates that CSE



Local businesses, senior police officers, health organisations and Councillors showed their support for tackling child sexual exploitation by signing a pledge at the launch of the CSE campaign

suspects can be from all sections of the community and particular types of businesses, such as hotels and taxi companies, are more likely to unknowingly aid CSE perpetrators.

### More info

If you see anything untoward or suspect a child may be the victim of CSE you can contact the police by phoning 101 and referencing 'Operation Make Safe'. Children can also call 101 or speak to someone in confidence for free by calling Childline on 0800 1111. For more information visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/cse](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/cse).



Find out more at our  
open day - Thursday  
6th November  
2.30 - 4.30pm

### Private fine dining experiences at Gilwell Park

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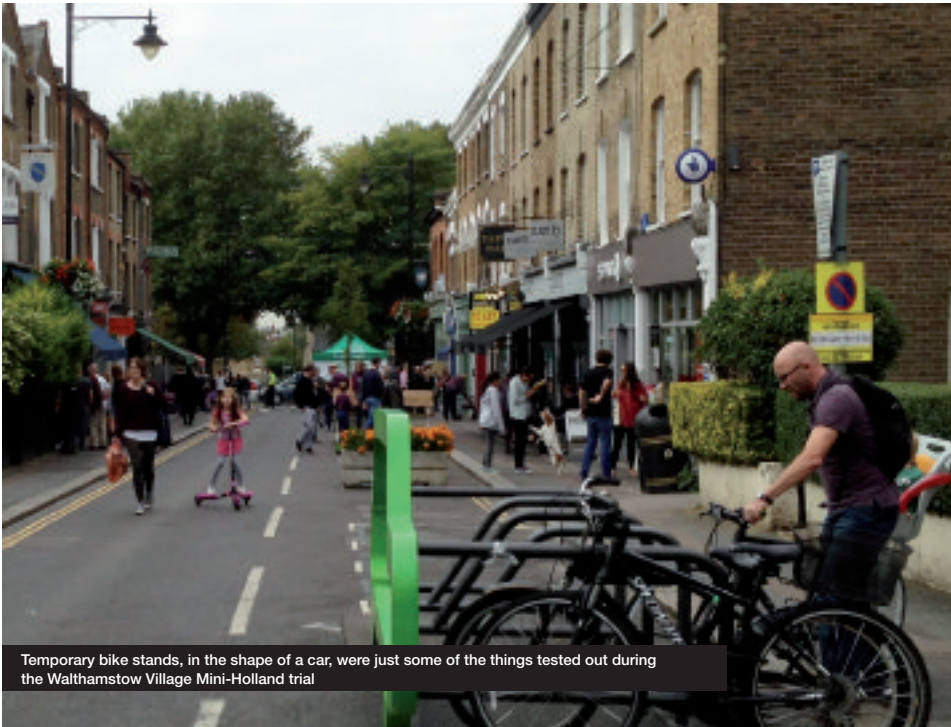
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# Trialling a Mini Holland



Temporary bike stands, in the shape of a car, were just some of the things tested out during the Walthamstow Village Mini-Holland trial

**Plans to create a bike and pedestrian friendly Waltham Forest were put to the test earlier this month, after the Council launched a Mini Holland trial in Walthamstow Village.**

The trial – which saw temporary road closures, one way systems and parking restrictions brought in from 26 September to 13 October – follows the Council's successful £30million Mini Holland funding bid.

Awarded to the Council to improve the borough for all road users, this funding will help reduce traffic congestion and rat running, and open up town centre spaces for pedestrians, to create a safer, more attractive borough for businesses and visitors.

During the trial, traffic levels were monitored to see if rat running in the Pembroke Road area would reduce and early data shows that 3,000 fewer cars passed through the area every day, equivalent to a 40 per cent reduction. The trial has generated a huge debate in

the local community, with residents speaking out both for and against the plans. Hundreds of emails have been received and Council officers have spoken to over 2,000 residents and businesses in person to gather feedback which will help develop future plans.

Residents and businesses within the Walthamstow Village trial area will now be invited to a series of workshops, to find out what the trial revealed and discuss which elements worked and didn't work before plans are finalised and a formal consultation launches later this year.

## More info

To find out more about the Mini Holland scheme please visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/miniholland](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/miniholland) or call **020 8496 3000**. Views and feedback on the trial can also be emailed to [miniholland@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:miniholland@walthamforest.gov.uk)

## In my opinion



**Dr Anwar Khan**

Chair of the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)

**Stopping smoking is the best thing a smoker can do for their health. Stopping at any time of life will bring health benefits. But the sooner you stop, the better.**

This month is Stoptober and, across the country, smokers are being encouraged to get the support they need to stop smoking for good.

In Waltham Forest, about 21 per cent of adults smoke and it is the biggest cause of premature death in the borough. Also, more people

are admitted to hospital with smoking-related problems than most other parts of the country.

We know that nicotine, the main stimulant in cigarettes, is very addictive and it is hard to give up. Some people can go it alone – go 'cold-turkey'.

But, you are four times more likely to stop for good if you get help from local Stop Smoking services.

The services in Waltham Forest offer support tailored to you as well as free products such as patches

and gum to manage the cravings.

As a GP, I can go on for some time listing the health benefits. It's worth remembering the other positives too – for example you will save an awful lot of money and you'll almost certainly enjoy your food more as your sense of taste and smell will improve.

We are into Stoptober already but if you still want to quit or you've been inspired by friends and family taking the challenge then don't worry as help is available all year round.

You can contact the Waltham Forest stop smoking service on 0800 032 0 102 or call the national Smokefree helpline on 0800 022 4 332 (Monday-Friday 9am-8pm, Saturday-Sunday 11am-5pm).

There is also the Stoptober website [www.stoptober.smokefree.nhs.uk/registration-c](http://www.stoptober.smokefree.nhs.uk/registration-c) where you can

also register for help.

If you are a smoker and you want to quit please contact our stop smoking services, or speak to your pharmacist or your GP. It is likely to be the best decision you ever made.

## Want to have your say?

**If you live or work in Waltham Forest, have something you'd like to get off your chest, and can do it in around 350 words; Waltham Forest News wants to hear from you. Email [walthamforestnews@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:walthamforestnews@walthamforest.gov.uk) and tell us what you'd like to write about.**

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# Autumn Statement

PRIORITIES  
**SPECIAL**  
EDITION

■ New schemes to support most vulnerable residents announced

■ Residents asked for their views on the Council's budget and priorities



Seven local artists will now have their own workshop space in Lloyd Park, following Council plans to grant them a licence for a year. Some of the artists, who moved in earlier this month, met Council Leader Chris Robbins at their workshop

## Waltham Forest's Councillors came together at the Town Hall on Thursday 16 October for the latest Council meeting.

Leader of the Council Chris Robbins used the occasion to reflect on recent developments across the borough and set out the Council's priorities for the coming months.

"In 2012 we asked residents to tell us their priorities for the next two years," Cllr Robbins said. "At that time you told us you want us to focus on better shopping streets and leisure, and I am delighted that the Empire cinema will be open for business before Christmas, and our leisure centre programme is continuing to deliver high quality facilities across the borough. We have concentrated on regenerating the borough's town centres and providing better high streets and schools."

Launching a major consultation with residents about the Council's budgets and priorities for the coming years, Cllr Robbins urged residents to give the Council their views.

"Waltham Forest is a great place to live, and our job now is to keep moving forward. We are determined to deliver the services that are most important to our residents whilst

facing the financial challenge that continued austerity brings. To do this we need to hear residents' views about their borough."

In his speech Cllr Robbins also announced three new schemes designed to provide help and support to some of the borough's most vulnerable residents.

### Children who care

The first announcement made during the evening was the creation of a charter to support children who have taken on a caring role for a relative with health issues.

Hundreds of young people living in Waltham Forest are carers for other family members, and very often this is done behind closed doors. These young people often miss out on having a social life, at a time when it is crucial for them

to develop social skills to help them through young adulthood and beyond. Many young people also give up large chunks of their education because they are late for school or have to take days off at a time to care for a member of their family. With that in mind the Council has pledged £50,000 each year, for the next four years, to help support children who care.

### Council Tax Support Scheme

Cllr Robbins also used the meeting to announce that the Council would be adding an additional £750,000 to its Council Tax Support Scheme. This funding will be used to help the most vulnerable residents in the borough who are struggling most with their monthly bills. The extra funding is

being made available following the abolition of the Council Tax Benefit scheme in 2013, which means that some 20,000 residents in Waltham Forest now have to pay more in Council Tax. The fund currently contains £150,000, so an extra £750,000 is a significant increase.

### Credit Union

Finally, it was also announced that the Council intends to inject £500,000 into a Credit Union facility. This will provide residents with a safe way to borrow money if they need it, helping them to avoid being forced to use other high interest alternatives. Credit unions are 'not-for-profit' organisations controlled by their members that offer loans and banking services.

In addition to these announcements Cllr Robbins also revealed that the Breakfast Club scheme would extend to Year 8 students in secondary schools from April 2015. This means the Council will provide this service for children in the first two years of both primary and secondary schools until Easter 2018. A further £1million will also be invested in rejuvenating 10 additional green spaces across the borough, following the success of parks and playground investment programme.

### More info

You can read minutes of all Council meetings and committees on the Council's website. Visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk) and search 'Council meetings' or phone Democratic Services on **020 8496 3000**. To have your say on the Council's budget and priorities visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk) by Sunday 16 November.

## In brief

### Cinema competition

To mark the return of a cinema to the borough for the first time in a decade a competition has been launched. Residents need to design a poster for a film that would best promote Waltham Forest. There are two entry categories – 13 to 18 year-olds and over 18s – and winners will be invited to the VIP opening of the cinema at The Scene at Cleveland Place on 19 November where their posters will be on display.

• For more details and to enter contact Kate Hart at Keeble Brown, 25 Christopher Street, London, EC2A 2BS or email [kate.hart@keeblebrown.com](mailto:kate.hart@keeblebrown.com). The deadline for entries is Friday 7 November.

### Senior citizens' Christmas dinners

Residents aged 60 and over can now book places at the Council's popular Christmas dinners.

This year there will be four events at different venues across the borough. The first is at Leyton Orient Football Club on Monday 1 December from 12pm to 2.30pm, the second and third take place at Walthamstow Assembly Hall on Tuesday 2 December from 12pm to 2.30pm (lunch) or 6pm to 8.30pm (dinner) and the final event is at Chingford Assembly Hall on Wednesday 3 December, from 12pm to 2.30pm. Up to eight places can be reserved by phoning 0161 259 0548 and quoting 'Christmas Dinners'. Lines close at 2pm on 31 October.

• For more information visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together).

### Bonfire Night and Diwali

On Friday 31 October, the Council will host an evening of music and entertainment including a short fireworks display at Walthamstow Assembly Hall, in Forest Road, to celebrate the five day festival of Diwali. Free tickets need to be picked up from the borough's libraries and Waltham Forest Town Hall main reception. Doors open at 6.30pm and residents will need a ticket to gain entry. On Wednesday 5 November, the Council is holding a free 'Music from the Movies' fireworks display to mark Bonfire Night. It takes place from 6.30pm-8.30pm at Chestnuts Field, Walthamstow. No ticket is required but last entry is at 7.45pm and no alcohol or personal fireworks are permitted.

• Find out more by visiting [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together).

## Fact file

- The Landlord Licensing Scheme will be launched in April 2015, providing a major source of support for those who use the private rented sector.
- The Council remains committed to spending over £9million on the Freedom Pass for older residents each year.
- Over 60,000 under 18s and senior citizens will continue to enjoy free swimming in the borough, thanks to the Council's continued commitment to funding free sessions.



# 4 Priorities

## Focusing on our priorities

Back in September 2012 the Council set its priorities for the next two years, after speaking to residents about what was most important to them. Since then we made some real progress in these key areas, the results of which can be seen across the borough. Let's take a look back about how we've been focusing on your priorities over the past two years.



The new 25m pool at Leytonstone Leisure Centre will be open to the public on Saturday 25 October, as part of a £24.5million leisure centre improvement programme

### Priority: Making our community a safer place

You told us that feeling safe in your neighbourhood was one of your key concerns and following negotiations with the Mayor of London we have received an extra 119 police officers, the largest increase in London.

The Waltham Forest Gangs Programme, Enough is Enough, has attracted much interest, with Theresa May, Home Secretary and Boris Johnson, Mayor of London, visiting the scheme last year with Rt Hon Iain Duncan-Smith MP. The Council funded project has helped young people deeply entrenched in gang culture as well as their families, and crucially those most at risk of getting involved in gangs.

The Council has made good on its pledge to create an anti-social behaviour task force, with officers working with police partners on issues such as street drinking. We are continuing our support for the White Ribbon Campaign, the global initiative to end violence

against women and girls, and have received accreditation for our work in this area.

### Priority: Keeping our borough clean

We know that having weekly waste and recycling collections is important to you, so we have continued these for every household. Residents are recycling more than ever, with 36.5 per cent of household waste being recycled or reused in 2013/14, and the latest figures showing a further increase based on the same period last year.

We have worked constantly to keep our streets clean and litter free, and last year saw the launch of the 'Don't Mess with Waltham Forest' campaign, which is cracking down on enviro-crimes like dog mess, urinating in public, spitting, fly-tipping and littering. We were the first Council in the country to introduce fixed penalty notices for spitting and urinating in public, and have so far handed out

84 notices for these offences.

### Priority: Bringing you better shopping, streets and leisure

A cinema in the borough has been on our residents' wish list for a long time, and we'll be able to tick that one off next month with the opening of the new nine-screen multiplex at The Scene at Cleveland Place. Built on the old Arcade site, the complex will also include shops, homes and restaurants like Pizza Express, Nando's and Turtle Bay. The new cinema has created 37 new jobs for local residents.

You can also enjoy better leisure facilities across the borough thanks to our ongoing £24.5million improvement programme. Work has already been completed at Leyton Gym, Walthamstow Leisure Centre and Leyton Leisure Centre (formerly Cathall Leisure Centre) will reopen on Saturday 25 October following a £3.4million upgrade.

Work is underway on the Mini-

Holland programme, after the Council was successful in its bid for £30million in funding from the Greater London Authority (GLA). This will radically improve the environment for all road users, making the streets safer and the borough a more attractive place to visit.

### Priority: Helping you and your family

To help give our young people the best start in life possible we are also carrying out a multi-million pound investment programme for primary and secondary schools. Improvements have been completed at St Saviours C of E Primary School in Walthamstow, and work is underway to provide brand new buildings for Willowfield Secondary School in Walthamstow and Leytonstone Secondary School.

We are also doing as much as possible to help our residents into work. Last year we established a new Business, Employment

and Skills unit, putting money into all three of these areas. The Council has also set up a highly effective partnership with Job Centre Plus and other local support and training providers. This has led to the creation of a Youth Employment Hub which has helped hundreds of local people to find work or training. Between April 2013 and March 2014 there was a 26 per cent fall in Job Seekers' Allowance claimants, and a 30 per cent fall in youth unemployment.

### Get involved

To have your say on the Council's budget and priorities for 2015-18 visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk) by Sunday 16 November.

For more information about all of the services the Council provides visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk). Free internet access is available in all of the borough's libraries.



# What you say

PRIORITIES  
**SPECIAL**  
EDITION

Residents tell Waltham Forest News what they think about the Council's work in delivering the four priorities below. These were set by the Council in September 2012, after speaking to hundreds of residents.



Hazel Buckley, Leytonstone

"I'm retired and there are some great services the Council offers like free swimming for the over-60s. Nowhere else seems to be as good as here for looking after people. The rubbish collection is much better than it is in other boroughs, and Leyton High Road is much better than it was. I would like to see more done to stop the spread of betting shops though."



Jock Pierre, Leytonstone

"I'd like to see more facilities for young people and more of a push so that people stay in education and get the most of what's on offer. I've seen improvements across the borough in the past couple of years – the refurbishment of leisure centres has been really good."



Louise Turner, Leytonstone

"It's important for everyone in the area to have facilities they can use – it helps them to be part of the community. Leisure centres have really improved but more needs to be done on playgrounds and facilities for children like nurseries."



Salvador Teixeira, Walthamstow

"I can see that the streets and shops have been improved, and a lot of work goes into keeping the streets clean. I think it's also important to invest in young people – after school clubs and sports are a great idea but could be better."

## Waltham Forest Council priorities 2012-14

**Priority: Helping you and your family**

**Priority: Keeping our borough clean**

**Priority: Making our community a safer place**

**Priority: Bringing you better shopping, streets and leisure**



## In brief



Kids take off running in Leyton Jubilee Park

## Fun run

More than 450 pupils from 14 borough primary schools gathered in Leyton Jubilee Park to take part in a free one-mile fun run.

They were joined by former European and Commonwealth 110m hurdle champion Andy Turner, who oversaw the INEOS GO Run For Fun on 9 October. There were two runs organised on the day, with the morning session attracting 329 pupils and then a further 134 young people taking part in the afternoon session. They were arranged to inspire children to be more active through short distance running events.

Young people also had an opportunity to talk to Andy about his achievements and see some of his medals.

• For more information about the Council's 'Creating a better place to live' campaign that is committed to improving the borough's streets, and attracting better shops and leisure facilities go to the Council's website at [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/betterplace](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/betterplace). Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.



## Bonfire night

Despite it being an annual tradition, bonfire night produces spikes in air pollution and accordingly residents are asked to consider carefully what they burn and how often they have bonfires in their gardens. To prevent causing a nuisance and contributing to poor air quality in Waltham Forest, consider not burning garden waste and placing your waste in your brown bins instead. Non organic material such as rubber, plastic, cloth materials and furniture (including wooden furniture) should never be burnt.

• For more information on air pollution visit the Council's Environmental Health webpage at [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/air-quality](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/air-quality) or contact the Air Quality Officer on 020 8496 3000.



Some of the improvements made to businesses and the roads and pavements along Wood Street

# Waltham Forest's award-winning town centres

- Council puts the borough's town centres top of the list of priorities
- Investment in Wood Street is the latest to be shortlisted for an award

**A competition to find Britain's best high street has been whittled down to a shortlist of just three in the London category, with Wood Street in Walthamstow in contention for the top prize.**

Over the last three years Waltham Forest Council has invested both its own funds and money accessed by them from Transport for London and the Mayor's Outer London Fund. This has seen significant improvements made the length of Wood Street, with businesses and public areas benefiting from the changes.

A new town square called the Plaza was built on the site of an old shopping precinct featuring new fountain features and a new children's playground, in addition to seating and landscaping.

Most recently the Council's innovative shopfront improvement work has had a really positive impact, with paintwork and maintenance to the facades of the buildings and improvements to signs, windows and shutters.

The shopfront work has helped bring a consistency to parades of

shops and by pairing local traders with artists through a scheme called Shopportunity, the Council has been able to bring about enhancements in partnership with the shopkeepers themselves.

Local business support and training, art interventions, the rejuvenation of Wood Street Indoor Market and lighting feature enhancements have also improved the area. It even has its very own website ([www.e17woodstreet.co.uk](http://www.e17woodstreet.co.uk)) to promote and market businesses and events and host a private members area for businesses to communicate with one another.

Last year Wood Street was shortlisted under the 'Boosting Economic Growth' category in the 2013 Place Making Awards. Earlier this month it was announced by the Department for Communities and Local Government that Wood Street had been shortlisted in the London category of the Great British High Street Awards alongside just two other areas in the capital. The winner is expected to be announced before

the end of the year.

Wood Street is just one of nine high street areas that the Council invested a total of £9million in last year as part of its 'Creating a better place to live' campaign. Waltham Forest Council is committed to improving the borough's streets, and attracting better shops and leisure facilities.

Development and regeneration schemes in Waltham Forest have progressed exponentially over the past few years, with the £160million secured last year set to grow to over £700million in the coming years up to 2018.

Two years ago the Council scooped a prestigious London Planning Award from the Mayor of London in recognition of the changes that were made to Leyton High Road. This was the first example of the shopfront improvement scheme and has since been replicated in other town centre areas all over the borough.

What the Council recognised when carrying out the shopfront improvement works in Leyton High Road was that by investing

in the exterior of shops, businesses would build on that and invest in the interior.

Princess Boutique in Leyton High Road, for example, added new flooring and built a wedding dress changing room off the back of the improvements carried out to the exterior of the shop.

The business owners also found that trade was not just improved by the enhanced look and feel of the shop, and the consistency with others in the parade, but by measures such as bringing the shutters inside the shop window.

Simple touches like this allowed Princess Boutique to leave their lights on at night so that passers-by could see what they offered and were encouraged to return during opening hours.

## More info

For more information about the Council's 'Creating a better place to live' campaign that is committed to improving the borough's streets, and attracting better shops and leisure facilities go to the Council's website at [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/betterplace](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/betterplace).

# People's parks

- Local people express their pleasure at the improvements made to parks
- Investment made by the Council in parks up and down the borough



The Church Lane playground and multi use games area in Leytonstone was just one of the projects that formed part of the Council's Parks and Playground Improvement Scheme

Over the last 18 months £2million has been spent by Waltham Forest Council on improving 28 parks and play areas. The scheme has seen the addition of a variety of outdoor play activities for children, green gyms to help keep residents active, and refurbishment works to a number of toilets.

Every corner of the borough has

benefitted from the coordinated investment in enhancing the borough's parks and the local community has been heavily involved in the nature of the improvements.

To celebrate the completion of Bisterne Avenue Park last summer, a pirate funday was organised by the newly formed Friends of Bisterne Avenue Park. The pirate ship play equipment that is the centrepiece of

the new equipment triggered off the theme.

Nick Catlin from Friends of Bisterne Avenue Park said to the Council officer who oversaw the transformation: "You haven't just created a park for us; with this new park you have created a community."

Similar feedback came from Alison Emmett who helped organise Friends of Wingfield Park. Talking about the improvements to her park, she commented: "I'm really pleased with how the refurbishment has gone.

"Things are being reused and recycled wherever possible. The new astro turf is a real hit – people have been chilling out on the 'grass', and I've had 100% positive comments from users, neighbours and passers-by."

And it's not just people who have taken roles in maintaining and promoting their local parks who are pleased. One resident who lives in the vicinity of Greenleaf Road playground, Kathy Gale,

said: "I'm sitting in my office being wonderfully distracted by delighted children playing gloriously in the new Greenleaf Road playground over the road from me.

"It looks lovely and the children are having a great time. Please could you pass the thanks of this happy resident to anyone involved at the Council. There are so many moaners and complainers around, I wanted to balance this by my real appreciation of this lovely and successful bit of transformation".

The Council has also made a specific investment of £2million in Leyton Jubilee Park, which has been created through the consolidation of the 14 hectares of Ive Farm and Marsh Lane Playing Fields into a single park. The £2million refurbishment of Drapers Field is also now complete, having been temporarily leased to the Olympic Delivery Authority for the Games.

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## In brief



Keeping pavements clear during snowy conditions frees up people to get out and about

## Snow Angels

Fancy becoming a Snow Angel? Waltham Forest Council is on the lookout for local residents who can volunteer to clear snow and ice from footways and pathways in their local area. The aim is to ensure vulnerable people, as well as friends and neighbours, can get around despite the weather. The Council will provide you with a 20 kilogramme bag of grit, a branded hi-visibility vest, protective gloves and a snow scoop or shovel – all free of charge.

• For more information contact the Council at [environmental.services@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:environmental.services@walthamforest.gov.uk) or call 020 8496 3000. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

# YES you can

Most food and garden waste can be recycled  
Just some of the items you can put in your brown bin



Fruit, vegetables and all food scraps



Tea bags and coffee granules



Garden waste – grass, leaves and flowers



Bread and cakes



Pasta and rice



The less food we waste, the better. But there are always going to be food items that we'll never eat, like egg shells, fruit and vegetable peelings, banana skins and tea bags. Use your kitchen caddy to collect these, then empty this into your larger brown bin.

"Don't forget to add 'compostable' caddy liners to your shopping list"



recycle  
for Waltham Forest

To order your kitchen caddy,  
or for more information on recycling  
phone 020 8496 3000 or  
visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/recycling)

Waltham Forest



# Extraordinary men...

# Foster



## Start your new career – Foster

George is 50, works full time in IT, is a father and now a proud grandfather. He loves getting out on his bike and getting to the cinema to see the latest movie when he has time. He really enjoys cooking and a current favourite is hot lamb curry. Giving something back to his community has always been important to him.

Derrick is in his 40s and enjoys taking his two dogs on long walks and spending time being outside. He likes reading especially since he was given a kindle for his birthday. Derrick has a natural empathy for others and helping those in need.

**Both George and Derrick are foster carers for Waltham Forest. Could you too be a positive male figure in the lives of children?**

**In Waltham Forest we believe that all kinds of people, no matter their background, can make a positive difference to a child's life.**

**Start your new career this autumn. Foster carers receive a professional fee and allowance for each child.**

Contact us for more information:



**020 8496 3668**

**[fostering@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:fostering@walthamforest.gov.uk)**

**[www.walthamforest.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/fostering)**

We also give talks to clubs, groups and faith centres – please call us if you would like us to meet your group.

### Come and meet us:

**23 October**  
Town Hall  
Information Session  
6.30 – 8pm

**24 October**  
Leyton Library  
Information Hub  
10 – 3pm

**31 October**  
Leyton Library  
Information Hub  
10 – 3pm

**7 November**  
Leyton Library  
Information Hub  
10 – 3pm

**12 November**  
Town Hall  
Information Session  
6.30 – 8pm

**14 November**  
Leyton Library  
Information Hub  
10 – 3pm



**Waltham Forest**

## Walthamstow



Jennie's colourful designs add a bit of excitement to a range of everyday items

# E17 craft business is sew successful

- Jennie Caminada launched craft business Cheekyhandmades from her home in 2010
- She praises the “amazing community” in Walthamstow for its support over the years

**After spending 12 years working in admin for the NHS, Walthamstow resident Jennie Caminada decided it was high-time she returned to her creative roots by swapping spreadsheets for sewing.**

Leaving her job in 2010, Jennie established Cheekyhandmades and began making craft items from her home in Thorpe Crescent, Walthamstow, and selling them at art and craft fairs.

The mum-of-three had already completed a two-year full-time fashion and textiles course at City and Islington College as well as HNDs and City and Guilds in Pattern Cutting and Garment Construction before going to work for the NHS. Keen to become her own boss, she reignited the passion for fabrics and textiles she discovered as a young child when she used a hand sewing machine to make Barbie clothes and was

taught how to knit by her granny.

She said: “I was fed up juggling family life and working, and frustrated at not being able to be more creative at work. I dipped my toe in the creative waters by making a few quilts for my colleagues at Whipps Cross and when they were well received I handed in my notice.

“I started my business in July 2010 but took the summer off, so it didn’t start in earnest until the 2010 E17 Art Trail I took part in. That year I did every craft fair going but found it a hard way to make any money.

“In January 2011 I started teaching in a place in Bethnal Green and realised how much I loved it. Feedback from students was very positive which encouraged me to carry on. When the venue closed I moved the classes to my home in Walthamstow.”

Jennie now teaches quilting and dress making and alterations classes – teaching kids and adults

and even hen parties. The 44-year-old also services and repairs sewing machines, runs kids’ crafty birthday parties and still makes quilts which she sells online.

Earlier this month, work was completed on a purpose-built studio in her garden. The project was part-funded by donations from supporters to a crowd-funding website, and Jennie says having a studio in her back yard means she hasn’t lost the flexibility of working from home – as well as making her feel “very firmly rooted in the community working in E17”.

“An awful lot of my students are local, which is lovely, some of them have become firm friends which is even better – and the feedback in general has been fantastic,” she continued.

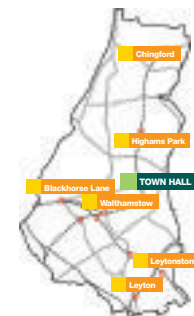
“I’m by no stretch the only person teaching sewing classes locally so I have to keep making an effort to stand out. I believe my friendly,

flexible and encouraging attitude towards learning has made sure I have never been short of students. I get lovely warm emails from them telling me how much they got out of the class and how it has been a positive experience – which makes my job the best in the world.”

Jennie said her advice to any local resident thinking about starting their own business is to “just do it”.

“Walthamstow has an amazing community, everyone is really supportive, there are many creative business and artists in The Stow (as witnessed by the success of the E17 Art Trail)”, she added.

“And running your own business, as long as you are doing it for the right reasons and have done your research, is amazing.”



### More info

For more information about Cheekyhandmades visit [www.cheekyhandmades.co.uk](http://www.cheekyhandmades.co.uk) or email [cheekyhandmades@gmail.com](mailto:cheekyhandmades@gmail.com). You can also follow cheekyhandmades on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and Flickr.

## In brief

### Christmas at Designers Market

The E17 Designers Market has unveiled the dates of two Christmas-themed celebrations.

Organisers are encouraging people to pay a visit to the Asian Centre, in Orford Road, on 26 and 27 November where there will be local designers, artists and craftspeople selling their products ahead of Christmas.

The first event, featuring music from Tom Lynch, takes place on Friday 26 November, from 7pm to 10pm and the second is on Saturday 27 November, from 2pm to 6pm, with music from The Rose and Crown Singers.

• **Entry is £1 and this includes a seasonal snifter and the chance to win E17 Designers goody bags. Visit [www.e17designersmarkets.blogspot.com](http://www.e17designersmarkets.blogspot.com).**

### WWI talk at Vestry House

The Walthamstow Historical Society has organised a talk entitled ‘London and the Great War’.

The event, at Vestry House Museum, in Vestry Road, will feature David Evans talking about both the local and wider aspects of life in London during the First World War.

The talk takes place at 2.30pm on Thursday 11 November and is open to all – no booking is required. Admission is free for members of the Walthamstow Historical Society, while non-members will be asked to pay a £1.50 entry fee.

• **For more information, email [walthamstowwalks@mz48.mizen.co.uk](mailto:walthamstowwalks@mz48.mizen.co.uk) or phone 07792 750017.**

### Learn to speak Swedish

Anyone interested in learning a new language has the opportunity to give Swedish a go at classes in Walthamstow. The Bygga Bo Café, in Chingford Road, will start running a series of classes in November for adults in a relaxed and fun setting.

Swedish beginner/intermediate courses cost £54 for a half-term of six lessons. Each lesson lasts 60 minutes and groups will be small.

• **For more information phone Christian Karlsson on 07958 471083, email [chris@e17swedish.com](mailto:chris@e17swedish.com) or visit [www.e17swedish.com](http://www.e17swedish.com).**



## Sports and fitness

### Beat the Bounds

**Saturday 1 November, 10am–12.30pm**

Meet at Larkwood Playing Field, Normanshire Drive entrance. Join the Friends of Ainslie and Larks Woods' for this traditional, guided walk. Children and well-behaved dogs are welcome, if accompanied by an adult. **For more information, phone 020 8524 5794.**

### Yoga for all levels

**Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday mornings**

United Reform Church, 58 Orford Road, E18 9QL

Yoga has masses of benefits from sleeping more peacefully, reducing stress, improving strength and flexibility and detoxing you. Yoga isn't just for the young and flexible – all poses can be modified to suit every body type. Come and join Sarah, registered Yoga Alliance teacher, at these friendly local classes. Times and prices vary. **For more information email enquiries@yoyoga.co.uk, visit www.yoyoga.co.uk or phone or text Sarah on 07815 120 792.**

### Learn Belly Dancing

**Every Tuesday, 7–8pm**

The Asian Centre, Orford Road, E17 9LN. A great way to help you stay in shape and allow you to express your own personal creativity, enjoyed by many people around the world and for all ages. Enjoy belly dancing for £5 for an hour's lesson. **For more information phone Sarah on 07735 345 635.**

### Lea Valley Friends Walking Group

**Saturdays and Sundays, times vary**

We meet for short walks in the local area every Saturday or Sunday. We are a group known for its friendly welcome to all new members. We also have social activities such as visiting places of interest, as well as monthly lunches. Come along and experience the great outdoors! A free programme, giving details of walks, is available on request. **For more information visit www.leavalleyfriends.org.uk, email lvfwalkers2001@hotmail.com or phone 020 8529 1602.**

### Adult Dance Fitness

**Thursdays, 7–8pm**

Shern Hall Methodist Church, Shernhall Street, E17 9HX. All ages and abilities welcome. Come along, get fit and have fun! £7 per week. **For more information phone Nicola on 07814 781 642 or email avoladance@hotmail.co.uk.**

### Mixed Ability Yoga – beginners welcome

**Wednesdays, 7.30–9.30pm and Thursdays, 7.30–9.30pm**

Friends Meeting House, Bush Road,

E11 3AU

**Fridays, 7–8.30pm and 8.40–10.10pm and Mondays, 1–3pm**

Peterhouse Centre, Forest Rise, E17 3PW. Down-to-earth Hatha Yoga. Help for anxiety and depression as well as physical problems. Sleep better, feel better. Fully qualified teacher since 1984 (British Wheel of Yoga). £8 for 90 minute classes and £8.50 for two hours. **For more information phone Kay on 020 8554 7168 or email kay\_russell\_yoga@hotmail.com**

### Zumba classes in Walthamstow

**Thursday, 7.30pm**

Harmony Hall, 10 Truro Road, E17 7BY. Drop-in sessions, £5 per class. **For more information visit www.katyag.zumba.com or www.facebook.com/zumbassion, phone Katya on 07826 101 222 or email zumbassion@gmail.com**

### Pregnancy Yoga class

**Wednesdays, 10–11am**

The Limes Community and Children's Centre, 6 Somers Road, E17 6RX. Pre-natal yoga class for women of all levels who are 14 weeks pregnant and over. The class includes movement, breath and relaxation to help with the changes physically and emotionally and to help prepare for a healthy and happy birth. £10 drop-in or £40 for 5 classes. **For more information email info@eva-yoga.com.**

### Zumba with Chloe

**Tuesdays, 7pm**

Walthamstow School for Girls, E17 9RZ. £5 drop in, discount for advance payment. Wear low supportive trainers and bring a bottle of water to enjoy this exhilarating dance fitness class in a low pressure atmosphere. **For more information phone 07903 629 636, email Chloe@dancechloe.com or visit www.dancechloe.com.**

### DanceChloe Circuits

**Thursdays, 7pm**

St Gabriel's Church, Havant Road, E17 3JF. £6 drop in. A high impact exercise class for men and women who want to improve strength and stamina. Aiding weight loss and muscle tone in a friendly environment with variations for all levels. **For more information phone 07903 629 636, email Chloe@dancechloe.com or visit www.dancechloe.com.**

### Restorative Yoga

**Mondays 6–7pm**

The Mill, 7–11 Coppermill Lane, E17 7HA. Gentle healing yoga poses and relaxation class for health conditions, or limited mobility. Safe, effective way to increase physical activity, strength, balance and flexibility. Helps with numerous conditions from high blood pressure, pain management and back problems to weight management, depression and stress. £54 for 6 weeks or £9 drop in. **For more information and bookings please email josettayoga@hotmail.co.uk**

### Ashtanga Yoga

**Fridays 9.45–10.45am or 9.45–11.15am**

Quaker Meeting House, 1a Jewel Road, E17 4QU

Fast flowing dynamic yoga class. Great for all round wellbeing, weight management, increasing fitness, stamina, strength, flexibility, and balance. Please bring your own mat. Option to stay for 60 or 90 minute class. Term time only (no class on Friday 31 Oct). £54 for 6 weeks or £9 drop in for 60 minute class or £12 drop in for 90 minute class. **For more information and bookings please email josettayoga@hotmail.co.uk.**

### Yoga for Every Body

**Every Tuesday, 6.15–7.30pm**

Leyton Sixth Form College, Essex Road, E10 6EQ

Sallyanne is a very experienced instructor who skilfully adapts the classical poses to suit everybody. Come and learn to relax and recharge whilst building up strength, flexibility, poise and peace. Beginners welcome! £28.50 per 5 week term or £6.50 drop in. **For more information, phone Sallyanne on 020 8520 7242 or 07952 307 455 or visit www.goldenyoga.co.uk.**

## Clubs and community

### Mobile Device Workshops

**Tuesdays until 11 November, 1.30–3.30pm**

Waltham Forest Disability Resource Centre, 90 Crownfield Road, E15 2BG. Learn to get the most from your mobile phone, tablet or notebook. Subjects covered will include music, TV and film on your mobile phone; keeping in touch via Skype, shopping and banking and taking and editing photos. Entry is £4 per session. The workshops are open to all, whether total beginners or more experienced users. The Centre is fully accessible and we particularly welcome older people and disabled people. **For more information please phone 020 8534 1589 or email reception@wfdrc.org.uk.**

### Free Benefit Check

**Weekdays (except Wednesdays), 10.30am to 3.30pm**

Community Place, Room 5, 806 High Road, Leyton, E10 6AE. Are you getting the right benefits? Phone Independent Disability Services for an appointment to find out more. **For more information phone 0871 2000 380 or call in to the office.**

### Permaculture within Diverse Communities

**Saturday 25 October, 10.45am–5pm**

The Mill, 7–11 Coppermill Lane, E17 7AH. With permaculture facilitators Shumaisa Khan and Muzammal Hussain, we will explore and learn about permaculture

tools in the specific context of Waltham Forest's diverse cultural mix with the aim of developing effective ways of working together through common ground and differences. Entry costs £20 or £12 for concessions. **For more information, or to book, visit www.routesofwholeness.org.**

### Mindfulness Course

**Sundays, 11am–1pm**

The Mill, 7–11 Coppermill Lane, E17 7HA. Mindfulness can help reduce stress and build resilience. It is a skill we can learn to enhance our wellbeing. You will learn how to use mindfulness in your everyday life and enhance your wellbeing. No previous experience needed. Course costs £175. **For more information email info@mindfulworld.co.uk or phone Miia on 07932 040 565.**

### Link4 Growth Chingford

**First Thursday of every month, 9.30–11.30am**

Goals Chingford, Morrison Avenue, E4 8SN. Community and business networking. Whether you are looking for a job, a particular service, starting a business or you just want to get some experience of talking to other people, we will put you in contact with those who might be able to help you and vice-versa. Entrance is £3, including tea and coffee. Drop in any time between 9.30 and 11.30am. **For more information phone 07906 007 613, email Chingford@link4growth.biz or visit www.facebook.com/L4G.Chingford.**

### Christmas Bazaar

**Friday 28 November, 7–9pm and Saturday 29 November, 11am–4pm**

Our Lady and St George Parish Hall, 132 Shernhall Street, E17 9HU. Join us for lots of fun for all the family with great raffle prizes to be won, Irish Coffees, homemade cakes, variety of hot and cold food, face painting, arts and crafts, games, Father Christmas Grotto, books, toys and much more.

### Club Mellow 30+ Men's Group

**Third Tuesday of every month, 7–9.30pm**

ELOP Centre, 56–60 Grove Road, London E17 9BN.

Club Mellow 30+ Men's Group is a space for gay, bisexual or trans\* men aged 30 and over who want to meet up with others in a friendly, supportive environment away from the scene. Admission £2. We also have a social outing on the first Tuesday of the month. Booking is required for outings. **For more information phone 020 8509 3898 or email info@elop.org.**

### Club Mellow 50+ Women's Supper

**First Tuesday of every month, 7–9pm**

ELOP Centre, 56–60 Grove Road, London E17 9BN.

This group is for lesbian, bisexual and trans 50+ women to socialise with supper at our new group. Tasty hot food and a tasty treat provided. Entry costs just £2. **For more**

**information phone 020 8509 3898 or email info@elop.org.**

### Club Mellow Baby and Toddler Group

**Thursdays, 11am–1pm (except Thursday 6 November)**

ELOP Centre, 56–60 Grove Road, London E17 9BN.

Club Mellow Baby & Toddler Group is a welcoming, inclusive drop in for lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans\* parents and carers and their babies and toddlers offering opportunity to network and socialise with other LGBT families in a safe, friendly setting. Admission £2.50 for adults and free for little ones. **For more information phone 020 8509 3898 or email info@elop.org.**

### Community local produce stall

**Every Saturday, 10.30am–3pm**

St John's Church, Church Lane, Leytonstone (between the church and Matalan)

A stall selling delicious, locally grown organic fruit and vegetables, and other local produce. A partnership between Organiclea and Transition Leytonstone. **For more information email stall@transitionleytonstone.org.uk or phone 020 8556 3090.**

### Grow Your Own Herbs

**Saturday 25 October, 1–3pm**

Church Lane Community Garden, Harold Road, E11 4QX

Save money and improve your cookery by growing your own supply of herbs, indoors and out. A workshop delivered by Groundwork in collaboration with Transition Leytonstone. **For more information email Shannon scthaden@yahoo.com or phone 07450 474 538.**

### Acupuncture Awareness

Acupuncture has been used in the East for over 2000 years to treat a wide range of physical and emotional problems including back and knee pain, arthritis, headaches, insomnia, depression and anxiety, addictions, infertility and pregnancy related illnesses. It is a holistic therapy which aims to help the body regain internal balance. If you would like to find out how Acupuncture could help you, we are offering free consultations at our Clinic in Leytonstone. Our therapists include fully qualified members of the British Acupuncture Council. **To book a free consultation phone 07943 672696 or email bushwoodacu@aol.com.**

## Culture and crafts

### Craft Fair

**Saturday 29 November, 12–4pm**

Chingford British Legion Club Back Hall, Hall Lane, E4 8HW. Craft Fair in aid of the Chingford Poppy

Appeal. Entrance is 20p for buyers. Sellers can purchase a table in advance for £5, set up time starts at 11am. Refreshments are available. **For more information please email [emma.cantwell@sky.com](mailto:emma.cantwell@sky.com).**

### Walthamstow & District Photographic Society Annual Exhibition

**Monday 27 to Friday 31 October, 7pm–10pm and Saturday 1 November, 10.30am–7.30pm**

St Mary's Welcome Centre, Church End, E17 9RJ

See more than 100 prints and projected images by members of the society.

Interclub competitions on Tuesday and Wednesday and a presentation by Walthamstow cine/video club on Thursday 30 October. **For more information visit [www.wdps.org](http://www.wdps.org).**

### The Singing Room Community Choir

**Thursdays, 7.30–9.15pm**

Side Hall, St Gabriel's Family Centre, Havant Road, E17 3JF

The Singing Room Community Choir welcomes new singers. For the confident, not so confident and positively petrified! It's friendly, fun and you develop your vocal skills. Come along to a free taster session.

**For further details phone choir leader Anna Williams on 07931 372 996 or email [annamusicmakers@gmail.com](mailto:annamusicmakers@gmail.com).**

### B.I.G. Gospel Choir

**Saturdays, 4.30–6pm**

All Saints Highams Park, Church Avenue, Highams Park, E4 9QD

Come and join the Waltham Forest section of The B.I.G. Choir, finalists of Songs of Praise Gospel Choir of the Year and part of the first Gospel Proms.

**For more information visit [www.britishgospelarts.com/bigchoir](http://www.britishgospelarts.com/bigchoir).**

### E17 Guitar Club

**Saturdays, TBC**

Hornbeam Centre, 458 Hoe Street, E17 9AH

Multi-skill groups. Suitable for beginners. Guitar playing fun for adults of all abilities. Pay £8 for a taster session, then £48 for a half-term of six lessons 30 minutes each. **For more information phone Christian on 07958 471 083, email [chris@e17guitar.com](mailto:chris@e17guitar.com) or visit [www.stunningmusic.com](http://www.stunningmusic.com).**

### Five String Banjo for Adults

**Mondays and Wednesdays, 6.30pm and 7.30pm**

Quaker Meeting House, 1a Jewel Road, E17 4QU

Recruiting now for complete beginners classes, starting Wednesday 5 November. Dick Smith teaches five-string Banjo classes in three finger bluegrass style picking. Start from scratch or brush up your banjo skills in a relaxed and fun environment. £10 per class when paying for the term in advance. **For more information phone 07745 052 525, visit**

**[www.banjosmith.co.uk](http://www.banjosmith.co.uk) or email [info. banjosmith@gmail.com](mailto:banjosmith@gmail.com).**

### Ukulele Classes for adults

**Mondays, 8.30pm; Saturdays, 10.30am, 11.30am and 12.30pm**

Studio Office, Quaker Meeting House, 1a Jewel Road, E17 4QU

Recruiting now for complete beginners' class starting Saturday 8 November. Learn the ukulele or improve your skills with an experienced, professional musician in a fun and relaxed environment. Instruments not provided. £8 per class when paying by the term in advance. **For more information phone 07745 052 525, visit [www.banjosmith.co.uk](http://www.banjosmith.co.uk) or email [info. banjosmith@gmail.com](mailto:info. banjosmith@gmail.com).**

### Strung Out violin groups for adults

**Tuesday and Thursday evenings**

Studio Office, Quaker Meeting House, 1a Jewel Road, E17 4QU

Got a violin in your attic you want to dust down? Fancy learning a new skill? Our motto is "it's never too late!" Strung Out is a fun violin group for adult enthusiasts of all levels, with a professional musician. All styles of music welcomed from classical to traditional. Fun is the key ingredient! Classes available for absolute beginners, early stages, easy and intermediates. Classes are limited, so please book in advance. Please ask about daytime classes and private lessons. **For more information, and to reserve a place, email [strungout@shapeshifter-productions.com](mailto:strungout@shapeshifter-productions.com) or phone 020 7018 2927.**

## Children and young people

### Piano For Children

**Every Saturday, 10am–12.45pm**

Mission Grove School, Mission Grove Road, E17 7EJ

Introduction to piano and music theory group classes with four children in a half hour class, taught in relaxed and fun environment. £75 per term for ten week course. £5 registration fee. **To book, phone 07568 157 028 or email [rachelbettelley@hotmail.com](mailto:rachelbettelley@hotmail.com).**

### U14s Football Team – Goalkeeper Required

**Training on Thursdays and Games on Sundays**

Ridgeway Rovers – Tigers play at Parmiters, Nelson Road, Chingford We are a Charter Standard Club, both our coaches Tom and Jack are F.A Level 1 qualified/CRB/First Aid. **If you are interested in coming along phone 07980 347 772 (evenings).**

### Act 2 Drama School: Spooky-licious

**Wednesday 29 to Friday 31 October, times TBC**

Wingrove Hall, Beech Hall Road, Highams Park, E4 9NT

A three-day spooky event for children aged five to 16. Dance, drama, special FX makeup, pumpkin carving, spooky cake making and other surprises. **For more information phone 07939 144 355, email [Management@act2drama.co.uk](mailto:Management@act2drama.co.uk) or visit [www.act2drama.co.uk](http://www.act2drama.co.uk).**

### Waltham Forest Scouts and Guides Gang Show 2015

**Sunday 9 November, 2–5pm**

Once again, we are inviting members of Waltham Forest's Scouts and Guides to take part in our 2015 production. We are inviting young people to experience the opportunity to get together on stage and have a great time entertaining a theatre audience. Learn new skills, build confidence and make new friends. The show is in April, during the school Easter holiday. To register, and for further information, visit [www.wfgangshow.org.uk](http://www.wfgangshow.org.uk). **For an informal chat, please phone Mike Hayward on 020 8527 5435.**

### French Classes

**Saturdays, 10–12 am**

The Salvation Army, 434 Forest Road, E17 4QH

L'Accent, la petite ecole de Walthamstow, is a new Saturday French club for children aged 4 and over. Classes start at 10am for non French speakers and 11 am for French speakers. It is £10 per session. **For more information please visit <http://laccent.weebly.com> or phone Sofia on 07574 044 184.**

### Avola Dance Academy

**Days and times vary**

Sherm Hall Methodist Church, Shermhall Street, E17 9HX

Ballet, tap and freestyle dance classes for school age children.IDTA qualified teacher. **For more information phone Nicola on 07814 781 642 or email [avoladance@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:avoladance@hotmail.co.uk).**

### Teenage Street Dance

**Fridays, 6.45–7.15pm**

Sherm Hall Methodist Church, Shermhall Street, E17 9HX

Brand new street dance class for ages 11 and over. All abilities welcome. **For more information phone Nicola on 07814 781 642 or email [avoladance@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:avoladance@hotmail.co.uk).**

### Come and Sing

**Fridays, 9.30–10.30am**

All Saints Highams Park, Church Avenue, Highams Park, E4 9QD

Singing songs of inspiration and love to children under five. Drop-in session £5 for parent or carer and up to two children. **For more information visit [www.comeandsing.com/parents-and-children-under-5/](http://www.comeandsing.com/parents-and-children-under-5/)**

### E17 Junior Guitar Club

**Saturdays, times vary**

Hornbeam Centre, 458 Hoe Street, E17 9AH

Guitar playing fun for children of all abilities. Ages 7 and upwards. Pay £8 for a taster session, then £48 for a half-term of six lessons 30 minutes each. **For more information phone Christian Karlsson on 07958 471 083, email [chris@stunningmusic.com](mailto:chris@stunningmusic.com) or visit [www.stunningmusic.com](http://www.stunningmusic.com)**

### Acting Bugs

**Fridays, 9.50–11.30am**

The Peterhouse Centre, 122 Forest Rise, E17 3PW

Acting Bugs and Diddy Bugs are interactive drama groups for children aged three to four years and 18 months to three years, led by local TV actress and mum, Sam Seager, and children's author Shirani Bolle. The sessions last 45 minutes and introduce pre-school children to the world of drama in a fun and playful way. Parents stay with their children through the session. Numbers strictly limited, so please email to book your free taster session. **For more information email [info@actingbugs.co.uk](mailto:info@actingbugs.co.uk) or find us on Facebook and Twitter.**

### Halloween Party and Disco

**Friday 31 October, 5–8pm**

Chingford Assembly Hall, The Green, Station Road, E4 7EN

The safe, fun way for your kids to celebrate Halloween. Family event includes disco, musical games and children's entertainer Sally Squiggle. Primarily for children aged four to 11 years. Younger children may attend but will still need a ticket. All children, or groups of children, must be accompanied by an adult. On sale will be food and refreshments, face painting, glitter tattoos, merry-go-round, lucky dip and more. Licensed bar for over 18s. Entry costs £6 for children and £4.50 for adults.

Please book early to avoid disappointment. **For more information, to buy tickets or to book a stall, phone Irene Bull on 020 8559 4500, email [irenebull@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:irenebull@hotmail.co.uk) or visit [www.chingfordevents.com](http://www.chingfordevents.com).**

## Community Ward Forums

### Hatch Lane and Hale End and Higham Park

**Monday 20 October, 7–9pm**

Thorpe Hall Primary School, Hale End Road, Walthamstow, E17 4DP

### Leytonstone

**Wednesday 22 October, 7–9pm**

St. John's Church Hall, 825 High Road, Leytonstone, E11 1HH

### Chingford Green and Endlebury

**Monday 27 October, 7–9.30pm**

Chingford Assembly Hall, Station Road, Chingford, E4 7EN

Community Ward Forums are held in all 20 wards of the borough. **For more information, visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/community-ward-forums](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/community-ward-forums).**

## Council Meetings

### Tuesday 21 October

Licensing and Gambling Committee

**All meetings are held at Waltham Forest Town Hall and start at 7.30pm unless stated otherwise.**

# Tell us what's on

**Email your event details to:**

**[walthamforestnews@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:walthamforestnews@walthamforest.gov.uk)**

**Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.**

**The deadline for Monday 17 November edition is Friday 31 October**

**Please note inclusion cannot be guaranteed, due to the high volume of requests received.**

**Please send your listing requests in the body of an email, formatted as shown on these pages.**



## Leytonstone Library Improvement works beginning!

The library will be closed from  
**Monday 20 October 2014 until September 2015**

We are investing in the library to:

- Modernise the space
- Create flexible spaces to accommodate a wide range of activities and events
- Upgrade the ICT and provide faster internet access with high-quality printing and photocopying facilities
- Provide a comprehensive range of children's, teenage and adult book stock which meets local needs

### Alternative library:

During the work at Leytonstone Library your nearest alternative library will be the Leyton Library Plus, High Road, Leyton E10 5QH.  
Monday–Friday 9am–7pm,  
Saturday 9am–6pm and Sunday  
12pm–4pm.

For more information please visit  
[www.walthamforest.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/libraries)  
or call **020 8496 3000**

Or visit the Harrow Green Community Library run by volunteers at the Epicentre, 41 West Street E11 4LJ.  
Saturday 11am–2pm,  
Monday 11am–4pm  
and Thursday 3pm–7.30pm see  
<http://harrowgreenlibrary.wordpress.com/>



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of services online at  
[www.walthamforest.gov.uk/a-z](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/a-z)**

\*\*\* COUNT ON US \*\*\*



## Examination Invigilator

Ref: WFALS/I/CA

**Rate per hour – £11:50**

**Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service is the local authority's direct provider of adult education and work-based training. We are looking to appoint a pool of examination invigilators who are enthusiastic, committed and flexible.**

The invigilation team consists of staff prepared to work a wide range of hours to cover this important task.

We are looking for people to join our pool of invigilators to supervise examinations throughout the year at our different centres. This is a part-time role, but one that makes a real difference to the learners it supports.

For this post you must have the following essential requirements:

- The ability to communicate confidently
- The ability to use your own initiative and to plan and anticipate problems
- Proven reliability
- Good time keeping
- A high level of accuracy and attention to detail
- The ability to work flexibly, including daytime, evenings and weekends
- Experience of working in a highly pressured environment

- The ability to relate to learners from a wide range of backgrounds

Previous invigilation experience would be an advantage. Training will be offered to successful candidates.

### Closing date:

**Friday, 31st October 2014 at 9:00 am**

### Interviews date:

**Wednesday, 12th November 2014**

For an application form and further details please visit our website at  
[www.walthamforest.gov.uk/jobs](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/jobs)

Applications must be emailed to  
[class.centraladmin@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:class.centraladmin@walthamforest.gov.uk)

Completed application forms to be received by 9:00 am on Friday, 31st October 2014.

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# Older People's Weekend is a roaring success



- Waltham Forest has been celebrating its older residents
- Event promoted activities to help people's health and wellbeing



Residents showed off their ballroom, Latin and sequence dancing skills at the Tea Dance, part of Older People's Weekend

**An action-packed weekend of free events and activities for older residents saw them putting their dancing shoes on, getting to grips with the internet and even learning how to make soap.**

The Council is committed to providing high quality services and

activities for older residents. To celebrate Older People's Weekend – part of a national programme that took place between 3 and 6 October – the Council ran a range of activities.

From art workshops to aerobics sessions, the weekend's events celebrated the contribution that

older people make to communities across the borough as well as helping to combat loneliness and isolation.

Many of the activities, such as Thai Chi, gardening and swimming sessions were designed to give residents opportunities to get active and stay healthy.

Cllr Angie Bean, the Council's Cabinet Member for Adult Services, said: "It was a really fantastic weekend, with so much on offer for older people in Waltham Forest to do.

"We're always working to ensure our older residents have the support they need and are given as many opportunities as possible to get out and about or take part in activities to improve health and wellbeing.

"The Older People's Weekend gave us a chance to showcase some of these and it was great to see so many local people taking part, learning new things – and most importantly having fun."

One of the weekend's highlights was the Tea Dance, which took place at the Great Hall, in Leyton. The popular event saw professional dance duo Mr and Mrs Wonderful strut their stuff before teaching some steps in ballroom, Latin and sequence dancing.

Uriel Cohen, from Leytonstone, was one of many residents to take to the dance floor at the event. He said: "It was very nice, it was good. We go to many dances and will be telling our friends about the Leyton Tea Dance."

Toby Jean Levene added: "I enjoyed the dance, the atmosphere was very nice and Mr Wonderful was great."

Educational sessions were also on offer during Older People's Weekend, with classes in IT support, internet security and online shopping, and budgeting all offering advice and guidance. The Council's Adult Learners Service ran an information stall in North Chingford Library, detailing classes that local people can attend in different areas throughout the year.

And, young people were able to take part in the celebratory weekend when Walthamstow Library hosted a free workshop to help older residents make soap with their grandchildren.

Alliston House, a residential home near Wood Street where service users are encouraged to live as independently as possible, held a photography inspired event that invited residents to have their picture taken with family, friends or staff – or someone else important to them. They were then offered the chance to have their photo included in a specially-created digital display.

The event was linked to Waltham Forest's Multimedia Project for adults – which provides multimedia equipment and training to service users across the borough.

There's a range of community support and social care services available in Waltham Forest to help older residents lead healthy and independent lives.

The Council's website has a comprehensive list of everything on offer, including help with managing and staying safe at home, tips on how to keep busy and stay healthy and details about residential, supported, and sheltered housing.

## More info

For more information visit  
[www.walthamforest.gov.uk/health-social-care](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/health-social-care).

## In brief

### Have your say on sexual health

Sexual health services in the borough are currently being reviewed – to identify the best ways to bring together and improve access to contraception services and testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections. The Council is calling on local stakeholders and residents of all ages and backgrounds to help with this review by taking part in a survey.

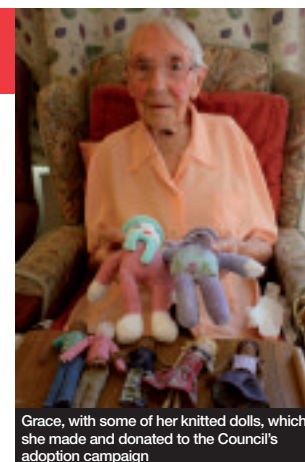
The survey closes on Monday 3 November. All responses will be used by the Council to look at the way services are provided in the borough in 2015.

• For more information and to complete the online survey visit  
[www.walthamforest.gov.uk/sexualhealth](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/sexualhealth) or call 020 8496 3000.

### Fond farewell to Grace Chandler

The borough has bid a fond farewell to a woman who showed that it's never too late to learn something new. Grace Chandler, who lived in George Mason Lodge in Leytonstone, amassed an incredible 70,000 fans on Facebook after mastering web skills at 103 years old. As well as learning to use the internet – particularly Twitter and Skype – through

the Council's multimedia training for older people, the keen knitter also appeared in a YouTube film as part of the publicity for drink and smoothie-maker Innocent's Big Knit campaign. Grace sadly died at Whipps Cross Hospital on 18 August. She will be sorely missed by all who knew her.



Grace, with some of her knitted dolls, which she made and donated to the Council's adoption campaign



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## You're almost there!! These are the benefits from quitting smoking

- After 20 minutes your blood pressure and pulse return to normal.
- After 24 hours your lungs start to clear.
- After two days your body is nicotine-free and your sense of taste and smell improve.
- After three days you can breathe more easily, and your energy increases.
- After two to 12 weeks, your circulation improves.
- After three to nine months coughs, wheezing and breathing improves.
- After one year your heart attack risk is half that of a smoker.
- After 10 years your lung cancer risk is half that of a smoker.

Fancy more support? Call the Waltham Forest Smokefree quit-line on 0800 032 0102.

[www.walthamforest.gov.uk](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk)



# Free Cycle Training for Children and Adults

27 – 31 February Half Term At Leyton Jubilee Park Pavilion, Seymour Road, E10 7LX (next to Lammas School and Sports College)



2014 has been a busy year for cycling in Waltham Forest, and as part of this we are continuing to offer free cycle training for anyone living, working or studying in the borough.

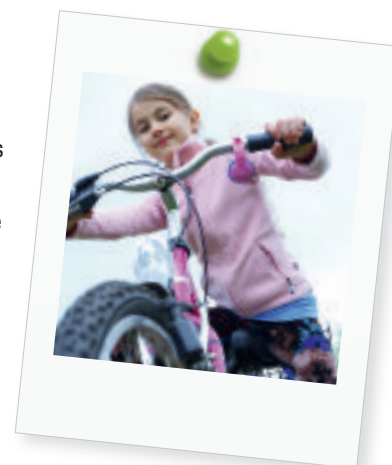
Following the courses run during school half terms this year, we are pleased to be able to offer free group training sessions for all age ranges throughout the October half term:

- group training sessions for families (age 7+)
- group training for children aged 9+
- group training for adults – from novice to experienced rider

All sessions are delivered through our training provider, Cycle Confident, who also offer free individual training sessions at a time and location to suit you.

From complete novice to budding Tour de France rider, brushing up or learning new skills is always beneficial. So if you are new to cycling, looking to cycle to work and want to build confidence, or want to cycle with your children, this is a good opportunity for everyone!

To find out more, and to register for your free training, visit <http://www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/waltham-forest/> or call 0203 031 6730



# **SORRY NO TRICK OR TREAT**

## **ENJOY YOUR EVENING**



### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION**



[www.walthamforest.gov.uk/community-safety](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/community-safety)



**PLEASE DISPLAY THE ABOVE LEAFLET IN YOUR WINDOW OR DOOR**  
**IF YOU WOULD PREFER TRICK OR TREATERS NOT TO CALL**

We know that many residents are worried about people coming to their door at Halloween, particularly those calling late in the evening. **You do not have to answer the door to them.**

- Do not let anyone in your house unless you are happy with their identity
- Do not deal with doorstep sales people unless you are sure that they are genuine
- Always ask for identification from official callers

**To report anti-social behaviour call**  
**Waltham Forest Direct on 020 8496 3000**

**Other useful contacts**

Waltham Forest Police (non emergency) **101**

Victim Support Waltham Forest **020 8550 2410**

Age UK Waltham Forest **020 8558 5512**

London Fire Brigade **999**

In an emergency call **999**

[www.walthamforest.gov.uk](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk)



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# Better leisure facilities

Over the last two years, Waltham Forest Council has continued to deliver a major programme of improvements. This will bring residents high quality leisure facilities, encourage healthier lifestyles and improve quality of life.

With an investment of £24.5million, this ambitious programme offers residents a wide range of high quality, affordable, gym and swim facilities and opportunities to take part in a variety of sports.

Our six leisure centres provide everything from swimming pools, teaching pools, water flumes and saunas to fitness gyms, studios and sports halls.

The newly renovated **Leytonstone Leisure Centre on Cathall Road**, will reopen its doors on **Saturday 25 October**. Facilities include:

- 25m main pool and teaching pool
- New poolside sauna and fully refurbished changing facilities
- 100 station fitness suite
- New two-court sports hall
- New reception with fast track entry
- Multi-purpose room and refurbished studio
- Soft play area
- Creche

Come along to our open weekend on **Saturday 25** and **Sunday 26 October** to check out our new swimming pools, sports halls, and other sports related facilities.



Artist impression of how the gym could look at Waltham Forest Leisure Centre

## Waltham Forest Pool and Track

We're closing the Waltham Forest Pool and Track for redevelopment on Friday 24 October so we can start the process of bringing you a brand new leisure centre.

The centre has served the community well over the years and seen a tremendous amount of use. Last year there were improvements to the outdoor athletics track which included resurfacing the entire track, reconstructing the back straight and 100m straight, and resurfacing the high jump area. The outdoor athletics track will remain open.

## What is the plan?

The Pool and Track is going to be demolished and an entirely new centre will be built in its place.

Plans will be submitted to the Council's planning committee shortly, but in the meantime the centre will be closed so that the site can be emptied and the building demolished and cleared. This work will take several months.

## What will happen whilst the Pool and Track is closed?

We want facilities to be closed for the shortest time possible. The old building is becoming increasingly expensive to maintain, with the gym being forced to close three times recently due to flooding. Unsurprisingly, membership numbers have dropped by a third with people choosing to use nearby upgraded facilities.

The centre will close on **Friday 24 October** for demolition work to begin. Members have been informed of the closure and are already using alternative facilities.

Following the planning process, building work will start on site. The new centre – which will be called Waltham Forest Leisure Centre – is planned to open in 2016.

We know that the loss of a leisure centre for this length of time will be inconvenient, but we promise that the new leisure centre will be worth the wait.



# ties for you



Leyton Leisure Centre

## More Waltham Forest leisure centres:

### Walthamstow Leisure Centre

Markhouse Road, Walthamstow E17 8RN

The centre is home to a state-of-the-art gym, fully refurbished changing rooms and toilets, as well as a new reception with fast track entry system. The red crumb pitch is the perfect surface for all activities, particularly football.

### Chingford Leisure Centre

Larkwood Leisure Park, New Road, Chingford E4 9EY

Chingford Leisure Centre offers an outstanding 45 station gym, 28 group exercise classes a week, a large 25 metre six lane swimming pool and a smaller shallow pool for children.

### Leyton Leisure Centre

763 High Road, Leyton E10 5AB

Leyton Leisure Centre underwent a fantastic transformation last year that included a new 25m pool, teaching pool, water flume and aqua play features, new reception, changing rooms and two studios.

### Leyton Gym

787 High Road, Leyton E10 7AA

The facility boasts a 100-station gym, cardio and resistance equipment and a spacious free weights and functional fitness area.

See [www.gll.org/walthamforest](http://www.gll.org/walthamforest) for more information on leisure centres in the borough.





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NO TICKET  
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**5 November**

# **Fireworks**

**Music from the movies**

**Wednesday 5 November**

**6.30pm – 8.30pm**

**Gates close 7.45pm**

**show starts 8pm**

**Celebrate Bonfire Night at our fantastic fireworks display  
choreographed to 'Music from the movies'.**

**Watch a dazzling display light up the skies of Waltham Forest while you  
listen to your favourite theme tunes including:**

- 'Let it go' (Disney's Frozen) • 'Jai Ho' (Slumdog Millionaire)
- 'Eye of the Tiger' (Rocky III) • Star Wars, plus many more.

**A wide range of tasty food and drink will also be available to purchase**

**Chestnuts field, Waltham Forest Town Hall Complex**

**Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17 4JF**

**Entry via gates at Forest Road, Farnan Avenue and Spruce Hills Road.**



**020 8496 3000**

**[www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together)**



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## Highways

### LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

#### ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)

#### THE WALTHAM FOREST (VARIOUS ROADS, WALTHAMSTOW AREA E17) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC, RESTRICTION ON WAITING AND LOADING AND SUSPENSION OF ONE-WAY WORKING) (NO. 3) ORDER 2014 – TT47(b)

1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that on 16th October 2014 it made an Order to enable construction works to be carried out in a safe and efficient manner in certain roads, the general effect of which would be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed to temporarily prohibit traffic (except works vehicles), restrict waiting and loading by vehicles (except works vehicles) and temporarily suspend one-way operation in certain roads.

2. Whilst the works are being carried out, no person shall:

(a) cause or permit any vehicle to wait or load for any purpose, at any time, in **Palmerston Road E17** between its junctions with Mission Grove and Forest Road;

(b) cause or permit any vehicle to enter or proceed for any purpose, at any time, in **Palmerston Road E17** within 40 metres of its junction with any road adjoining Palmerston Road E17 between its junction with Mission Grove and Forest Road; and

(c) cause or permit any vehicle to enter, proceed wait or load for any purpose, at any time, in **any road adjoining Palmerston Road E17** within 40 metres of its respective junction with Palmerston Road (between its junction with Mission Grove and Forest Road).

3. Whilst the works are being carried out the one-way operation for traffic is temporarily suspended in Coleridge Road E17, Elmsdale Road E17, Gainsford Road E17, Mansfield Road E17 and Somers Road E17.

4. Whilst the prohibitions referred to in paragraph 2 above remain in force, alternative routes for traffic would be indicated by traffic signs.

5. Vehicles waiting or loading in disregard of this Order would be removed.

6. The restrictions mentioned above would not apply in relation to any vehicle being used -

(a) in connection with the said works; or

(b) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency.

7. The Order will come into operation on **20th October 2014** and would be valid for a maximum period of 18 months or until the works are completed, whichever is the sooner.

*NOTE: These works would not be carried out simultaneously in all roads but in a sequence as directed by the Council. Leaflets would be distributed and signage placed in advance of any works in the above mentioned roads which would give more specific details on the exact dates of*

*the prohibitions, effects of any temporary traffic management and diversion routes as necessary.*

**Dated 20th October 2014**

**Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS**

### LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

#### ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)

#### THE WALTHAM FOREST (WOOD STREET (NORTH & SOUTH) CPZ EXTENSION) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION ON WAITING AND LOADING) (NO. 1) ORDER 2014 – TT53

1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that on **14th October 2014** it made an Order to enable construction works to be carried out in a safe and efficient manner in certain roads, the general effect of which will be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed, to restrict waiting and loading by vehicles (except works vehicles) in certain roads.

2. Whilst the works are being carried out no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to wait or load for any purpose, at any time, in the roads listed in the Schedule to this Notice.

*N.B. These works will not be carried out simultaneously in all roads but in a sequence as directed by the Council.*

3. Vehicles waiting or loading in disregard of this Order will be removed.

4. The restrictions mentioned above will not apply in relation to any vehicle being used:

(a) in connection with the said works; or

(b) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency, if the works allow.

5. The Order will come into operation on **21st October 2014** and will be valid for a maximum period of 3 months.

**Dated 20th October 2014**

**Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS**

#### Schedule

**Barrett Road E17, Brooke Road E17, Brookfield Avenue E17, Butterfields E17, Chestnut Avenue South E17, Elm Road E17, Eastern Road E17, Evelyn Road E17, Ferndale Avenue E17, Greenacre Gardens E17, Greville Road E17, Oliver Road E17, Raglan Road E17, Rosslyn Road E17, Shernhall Street E17** (between the south-eastern wall of the Lord Brooke public house and its junction with Lea Bridge Road), **Vallentin Road E17, Wood Street E17** (between the south-eastern wall of No. 171 Wood Street and its junction with Lea Bridge Road) and **Western Road E17**.

### LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

#### ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)

#### THE WALTHAM FOREST (VARIOUS ROADS – PETERBOROUGH ROAD AREA) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC AND RESTRICTION ON WAITING AND LOADING) (NO. 1) ORDER 2014 – TT54

1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest HEREBY GIVES NOTICE

that it intends to make an Order to enable highway construction works to be carried out in a safe and efficient manner in various roads, the general effect of which would be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed, to prohibit traffic (except works vehicles) and restrict waiting and loading by vehicles (except works vehicles).

2. Whilst the works are being carried out, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to:

(a) enter, proceed, wait or load for any purpose, at any time, in the section of road mentioned in Schedule 1 of this notice; and

(b) wait or load for any purpose, at any time, in the roads or section of roads mentioned in Schedule 2 of this notice.

*N.B. These works would not be carried out simultaneously in all roads but in a sequence as directed by the Council.*

3. Vehicular access to properties affected by these works will be maintained wherever possible, subject to the extent and operation of the closure.

4. Whilst the prohibitions referred to in paragraph 2(a) above remain in force, alternative routes for traffic would be indicated by traffic signs.

5. Vehicles waiting or loading in disregard of this Order would be removed.

6. The restrictions mentioned above would not apply in relation to any vehicle being used:

(a) in connection with the said works; or

(b) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency, if the works allow.

7. The Order would come into operation on **4th November 2014** and would be valid for a maximum period of 4 months or until the works are completed, whichever is the sooner.

**Dated 20th October 2014**

**Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS**

#### Schedule 1

**West End Avenue E10** – between its junction with Peterborough Road and a point 15 metres north-east of that said junction.

#### Schedule 2

**Canterbury Road E10** – north-easternmost arm

**Colchester Road E10** – north-easternmost arm

**James Lane E10** – between its junction with Essex Road and Peterborough Road

**Liverpool Road E10**

**Matlock Road E10** – north-easternmost arm

**Nottingham Road E10** – north-easternmost arm

**Peterborough Road E10**

**Sandringham Road E10**

### ORDER 2010 – NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following application for planning permission has been made to the Council for which additional publicity is required.

**APPL.NO** 2014/2085

**APPLICANT** Bellway Homes, (Thames Gateway) Ltd

**ADDRESS** 640 High Road, Leyton, E10 6RN

**PROPOSAL** Construction of one four-storey building and one five-storey building to provide 36 affordable residential units (7 x one bed, 15 x two bed, 14 x three bed) and 356sqm of commercial floorspace (use

class A1), provision of car parking, cycle storage, refuse and landscaping.

The application is open to inspection by the Public at the offices of the Development Management, Sycamore House, Town Hall Complex, Forest Road, London E17 4JF between the hours of 9.00a.m. – 5.00p.m. Monday to Friday. Any representations relating to the application should be made in writing to the Planning Division within 21 days of the date of this Notice.

**Dated this day 20th October 2014**

**David Scourfield – Head of Development Management on Behalf of London Borough of Waltham Forest**

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## Planning

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**Waltham Forest**



**Following our conversation with over 1,700 residents our last set of priorities were agreed in 2012 and we now need to look at what we will focus on for the coming years. Find out how we have done delivering your 2012-2014 priorities on pages 4 and 5 of Waltham Forest News.**

The Council carries out regular research with our residents to understand what is important to them and how we are doing. From this, we have drafted four new priorities and a series of commitments to deliver them. We would like your help to shape these priorities. Take part in the online survey at [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk) or come and have a chat and a cup of tea at one of our street stalls, see back page for dates and locations.

## Proposed priorities for 2015 - 2018



**We will keep your neighbourhood clean and safe by:**

- providing neighbourhood officers who will work with the community to keep your streets clean.
- establishing an anti-social behaviour team to help keep our streets safe.
- continuing to collect your bins every week, providing a free bulky waste service and prosecuting fly-tippers.
- delivering an anti-gangs programme in partnership with the police to provide our young people and their families with a positive future.



**We will help build a strong local economy and thriving town centres by:**

- supporting our schools and colleges to provide top quality education and training across the borough.
- working to change our town centres so that they have the quality mix of shops and services that you want.
- actively promoting a borough wide 'spend local' campaign to keep wealth in our borough and support local businesses.
- providing an investment fund for local businesses and services in our town centres.



**We will support affordable housing for everyone's needs by:**

- delivering a private sector landlord licensing scheme which benefits tenants by improving standards and makes the area better for those who live around them.
- building new council homes for Waltham Forest residents in work who cannot afford to buy.
- encouraging new houses to be built where they can deliver prosperous communities with access to the local services and infrastructure they need.
- building more specialist independent houses which allow older residents to stay in a home of their own with the support they need to be independent.



**We will help all of our residents enjoy a good quality of life by:**

- freezing Council Tax and continuing to fund the freedom pass scheme.
- providing young and older residents with a range of activities and support such as free swimming, holiday clubs and Christmas lunches.
- supporting an extensive arts and events programme for everyone, via the Council and in the community.
- maintaining high quality parks and green spaces and affordable, modern leisure centres.

**The Council's core duty is to keep vulnerable adults and children safe and healthy, ensuring that they have dignity and choice in their lives. This crosses all responsibilities and services.**



Have your say by using our interactive online tool at [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk](http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/weneedtotalk), which is also tablet and smart phone friendly. Alternatively, enjoy a cup of something hot and have a nibble on a biscuit whilst you talk to us about what services you think the Council should be prioritising at one of the Council's street stalls. Street stalls will be taking place at the following locations:

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**Wednesday 29**

**October,**

10am – 4pm

Walthamstow Town  
Centre, High Street

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**Friday 31**

**October,**

10am – 4pm

Outside Leytonstone  
Underground Station,  
Church Lane

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**Wednesday 5**

**November,**

10am – 4pm

Chingford Mount, Albert  
Crescent

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**Friday 7**

**November,**

10am – 4pm

Outside Coronation  
Gardens, High Road  
Leyton

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There will also be opportunities for you to have a chat with us at the Council's fireworks event:

**Wednesday 5 November,**

6.30pm – 8.30pm

Waltham Forest Town Hall Complex, Forest Road

Have your say by Sunday 16 November.